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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics

VIA: Deputy Director/Support

SUBJECT: Comments of the Inspector General Regarding
Agency Bus Operations.

1. The statistics of passenger travel on Agency shuttle buses developed by the Inspector General and quoted in [REDACTED] memorandum of 7 April, while interesting, do not offer new information of the type which would require reversal of the opinions of this office on this subject. [REDACTED] opinion dated 29 April 1954, precisely on the point again raised, hinges on an administrative determination that the bus service is needed for the transportation of employees on official business. The Inspector General's statistics seem to lend heavy emphasis to the existence of such need. As a logical exercise in reaching the necessary administrative determination, we suggest the following approach for your consideration.

2. In our opinion, so long as bus trips are scheduled to meet the needs of employees on official business, they meet the requirements of section 76 of Title 5 U.S.C. While it would be theoretically possible to demand from each employee boarding a bus, evidence that he was doing so on official business, such a procedure appears to us to be highly insecure as well as being impractical. Signs might be displayed in the buses stating that travel on them is restricted to those on official business. However, I believe that it is not feasible to police the use of shuttle buses by employees beyond ascertaining that persons boarding buses are in fact employees. If so, the crowding of buses during periods of peak load may well have the effect of excluding some who are on official business. It follows that the number of buses in service at any given time and the frequency of their schedules may be adjusted to meet the requirements of employees on official business.

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